

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A power steering system includes first and second drain passages connected to the first and second passages, respectively, and first and second passage switching valves arranged at connections of the first and second drain passages and the first and second passages, respectively. When a hydraulic pump operates to discharge the hydraulic pressure to the first passage, the first passage switching valve provides fluid communication between pump-side and cylinder-side portions of the first passage and closes off the first drain passage. And when the hydraulic pump stops, the first switching valve provides fluid communication between the cylinder-side portion of the first passage and the first drain passage.